

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title: Cable Drop Support System for Use with Elevated Structure

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 31, 2006**

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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated July 31, 2006, for which a three-month shortened statutory period for response is set for October 31, 2006.

**Listing of the Claims** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

1                   **Claims pending**

2                   • At time of the Action: Claims 1, 3, 5-8, 10-16, 18-19, and 21-24.  
3                   • After this Response: Claims 1, 3, 5-8, 10-16, and 18-19.

4                   **Claims canceled or withdrawn previously:** 2, 4, 9, 17, and 20.

5                   **Claims canceled or withdrawn herein:** 21-24.

6                   **Amended claims:** Claims 1 and 19.

7                   **New claims:** None.

8                   Please amend the claims as indicated below: